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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

As the CEO of the Mendocino Coast Chamber of Commerce, I am deeply concerned about AT&T's petition regarding the use of copper lines. Mendocino County is very rural and particularly on the coast, our local fusion provider is a critical source. I switched our service from AT&T to our local provider, MCN and cut our cost by more than half.

Our local businesses depend on the availability of competitive providers and want the option to use local services. If we do not have local broadband providers, our businesses and schools will suffer. Small business owners cannot afford price hikes that could put them out of business.

Thank you for your consideration.

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